

**GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT**

Establishment – Extension Officer [PR & RD] – Report the Development activities to the M.P.D.O., and regulatory functions of Gram Panchayats to the DI. P.O.,– Amendment - Orders – Issued.

PANCHAYAT RAJ AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT [E.VII] DEPARTMENT

G.O. Ms. No. 408,

Dated 28th December, 2011.
Read the following:-

1. G.O. Ms. No. 303, PR & RD [Mdl.II] Dept., Dated 04-10-2001.
2. G.O. Ms. No. 345, PR & RD [Mdl.II] Dept., Dated 21-11-2001.
3. From the CPR&RE., Lr. No. 4684/CPR&RE/K2/2011, Dated 04-05-2011.

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ORDER:-

In the G.O. 1st read above, orders were issued devolving the functions of erstwhile Extension Officer [Pts.,] to Extension Officer [Rural Development] and the then existing 380 posts of Extension Officer [Pts.,] were abolished. The then existing personnel who were working as Extension Officer [Pts.,] were adjusted against the vacancies of Extension Officer [Rural Development] and the post of Extension Officer [Rural Development] at Mandal level was re-designated as Extension Officer [PR & RD]. It was also ordered that the Extension Officer [PR & RD] shall report the activities of Gram Panchayats as well as rural development to the MPDO concerned.

2. In the G.O., 2nd read above, it was ordered that the Extension Officer [PR & RD] earlier who worked as Extension Officer [Pts.,] are re-designated as Gazetted Extension Officer [PR & RD] Grade-I to protect their earlier Gazetted status and scale of pay.

3. The Commissioner of Panchayat Raj & Rural Employment in his proposal submitted to the Government in the reference 3rd read above, has stated that ever since the functions relating to Rural Development are combined with those of Gram Panchayats and entrusted to Extension Officer [PR & RD], they are unable to cope up with the multifarious activities due to which the Gram Panchayats are facing lot of difficulties in execution of statutory provisions of A.P. Panchayat Raj Act effectively and also these functionaries did not possess the required expertise to deal with matters of statutory importance. He has further stated that the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India recently in judgement in Civil Appeal No. 1132/2011 (a) SLP(c) No. 3109/2011 have ordered to prepare a scheme to protect the properties of Gram Panchayats particularly those of community importance. The Commissioner of Panchayat Raj & Rural Employment has, therefore, requested to restore 380 posts of erstwhile Extension Officer [Pts] and designate them as Extension Officer [PR & RD] Grade-I.

4. Government have examined the proposal of Commissioner of Panchayat Raj & Rural Employment and felt that there is no need to restore the post of Extension Officer (Panchayats). Hence the proposal of the Commissioner of Panchayat Raj & Rural Employment submitted in the reference 3rd read above is hereby rejected. However in order to strengthen the administration of Gram Panchayats with present setup, besides others, it has been decided that the Extension Officer [PR & RD] shall report the

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development functions to the M.P.D.O., and regulatory and other statutory functions of Gram Panchayats to the DI. P.O. However, the Extension Officer [PR & RD] shall be under the administrative control of MPDO without disturbing the present structure. Accordingly the following amendment is hereby issued to the G.O. Ms. No. 303 PR & RD [Mdl.II] Dated 04.10.2001.

Amendment

In place of para 2 (III) of the said G.O. the following shall be substituted:

The Extension Officer [PR & RD] including leftover Extension Officer [PR & RD] Grade-I reports to the Mandal Parishad Development Officer [MPDO] for development functions and also reports directly to Divisional Panchayat Officer [DI. P.O] concerned for regulatory and other statutory functions of Gram Panchayats within the jurisdiction of Mandal. The Extension Officer [PR & RD] shall be under the administrative control of Mandal Parishad Development Officer concerned.

[BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH]

**Dr. RAJIV SHARMA
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT**

To
The Commissioner of Panchayat Raj and Rural Employment, Hyderabad.
All District Collectors in the State
All Chief Executive Officers of Zilla Parishads in the State [He/she in turn shall

communicate these orders to all MPDOs / EOs [PR & RD] in the District.

All District Panchayat Officers in the state

Copy to:-

The Accountant General, AP. Hyderabad.

The Director of State Audit, Hyderabad.

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SECTION OFFICER